

# CHILKAT INLET

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North of 59th Parallel of North Latitude,  
East of 136th Meridian of West Longitude.



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July 4, date on which I arrived, found six boats fishing in the inlet.

Observations of the fishing operations were made and following is an estimate of the number of fish caught for the period mentioned:

July 7 - 19 seine boats, 2 and 3 hauls each, approximately 900 fish in all.

" 14	23	seine boats	1 weeks operations	"	4600	"	"
" 19	23	"	" five days "	"	8050	"	"
" 21 to 24	- No fishing was done, due to severe storms.						
" 28	22	seine boats,	four days operations,	approx.	4400	"	"
Aug. 9	10	boats operated	during the week	"	7500	"	"
" 11	21	" "	were fishing, but have been unable to estimate the number caught.				

Most fishing was done on flood tide and up to this time I would estimate an escapement of 200 fish per day.

Chilkat Inlet was closed to commercial fishing from midnight of August 11 to midnight of August 31 and during this time there was a fine run of fish in the river; 50 percent being chums and 50 percent red salmon.

On September 1 the seiners resumed operations and approximately 40,000 fish were caught in the Chilkat Inlet during the week ending September 6, estimating 8 percent Sockeyes, 2 percent Cohoes and 90 percent Chums.

The fishermen practically all used seines throughout the season and there were but few drift gill nets in evidence.

In summarizing my observations in Chilkat Inlet will say there has been an unusually fine run of salmon this season.

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Stream Watchman.

Season of 1924.